



# Discount drug cards: Savings for seniors

A message from

**Representative Dave Crooks**

MILLIONS OF AMERICAN SENIORS have incomes too high to qualify for Medicaid, yet struggle to pay for essential medications that Medicare does not fund. Several pharmaceutical companies have developed discount cards for qualifying seniors. Details about some of the cards are given below. Please contact the companies listed for more information.

## GlaxoSmithKline Orange Card



- Eligibility: Medicare recipients earning less than \$26,000 per person or \$35,000 per couple; no existing prescription drug coverage.
- Benefits: Average savings of 30 percent on all GlaxoSmithKline drugs.
- Key drugs covered: Avandia (diabetes); Advair, Flovent and Serevent (respiratory illnesses).
- Participating pharmacies: More than 50,000.
- Available: January 1, 2002
- To apply: Call 1-888-672-6436.

## Eli Lilly and Co. LillyAnswers Card



- Eligibility: Medicare recipients earning less than \$18,000 per person or \$24,000 per couple; no existing prescription drug coverage.
- Benefits: \$12 fee for a one-month supply of a Lilly retail drug.
- Key drugs covered: Evista (osteoporosis); Humulin and Humalog (diabetes); Prozac (depression); Zyprexa (schizophrenia).
- Participating pharmacies: CVS, Wal-Mart and Longs Drug Stores.
- Available: Applications accepted now; cards will be activated April 1, 2002.
- To apply: Call 1-877-795-4559 or visit [www.lillyanswers.com](http://www.lillyanswers.com).

## The Pharmacy Care One Card

The National Association of Chain Drug Stores is offering a free Pharmacy Care One Card, which will give low-income seniors access to various discount programs offered by pharmaceutical companies. Enrollment for the card is expected to begin in April, 2002. For more information call 1-703-837-4244.

## Novartis Pharmaceuticals CareCard



- Eligibility: Medicare recipients earning less than \$26,000 per person or \$35,000 per couple; no existing prescription drug coverage.
- Benefits: 30 percent to 40 percent discounts on all Novartis drugs.
- Key drugs covered: Diovan, Lotensin, Lotrel (high blood pressure); Exelon (Alzheimer's); Lescol (high cholesterol); Miacalcin Nasal Spray (osteoporosis).
- Participating pharmacies: CVS, Eckerd, Kmart, Kroger, Rite-Aid, Wal-Mart and 9,000 independent pharmacies.
- Available: January 2, 2002
- To apply: Call 1-866-974-2273 or visit [www.novartis.com/carecard](http://www.novartis.com/carecard).

## Pfizer Share Card



- Eligibility: Medicare recipients earning less than \$18,000 per person or \$24,000 per couple; no existing prescription drug coverage.
- Benefits: \$15 for each 30-day supply of every medicine that is covered.
- Key drugs covered: Lipitor (cholesterol); Norvasc (high blood pressure, angina); Zyrtec (antihistamine); Aricept (Alzheimer's).
- Participating pharmacies: CVS and Wal-Mart.
- Available: March 1, 2002
- To apply: Call 1-800-717-6005 or visit [www.pfizerforliving.com](http://www.pfizerforliving.com).

# Worried about paying for your Prescriptions?

A few words about  
the HoosierRx Program from  
Representative Dave Crooks



Representative  
Crooks

HOOSIERRx, the state's prescription drug plan, provides benefits to low-income seniors who have no health insurance coverage for their prescription drug expenses. So far more than 14,500 Hoosiers have been helped, but funding is available to assist many more.

HoosierRx provides a discount card saving the user up to 50 percent off the expenses incurred for prescription drugs. Depending on your income, you could receive up to \$1,000 in refunds per year. If you think you might be eligible, fill out a HoosierRx application today.

## How to apply

Fill out an application to see if you are eligible for the HoosierRx program. Indiana seniors may receive an application at their local pharmacy, download one from the HoosierRx Website at [www.in.gov/HoosierRx](http://www.in.gov/HoosierRx) or call the program's toll-free number at 1-866-267-4679.

### Your net income

is the income you receive after taxes, including income from wages; Social Security; pensions; interest from bank accounts, annuities, IRAs and CDs; and dividends.

## You may be eligible for HoosierRx if you:



- 1.** Are at least 65 years old
- 2.** Are not covered under prescription drug insurance or Medicaid
- 3.** Have a monthly net income of \$967 or less if you are single, or a monthly net income of \$1,307 if you are married

## Rep. Dave Crooks

Indiana House of Representatives  
200 W. Washington St.  
Indianapolis, IN 46204  
[H63@in.gov](mailto:H63@in.gov)

Prsrt Std  
U.S. Postage  
PAID  
Indiana House of  
Representatives